

SAFETY ON THE LINE

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Keep Cape Canaveral
Spaceport Beautiful -
Please Don't Be A
Litter Bug!"

"The secret of staying young is to live honestly,
eat slowly, and lie about your age."

- Lucille Ball

April has been designated as "Litter Awareness Month"

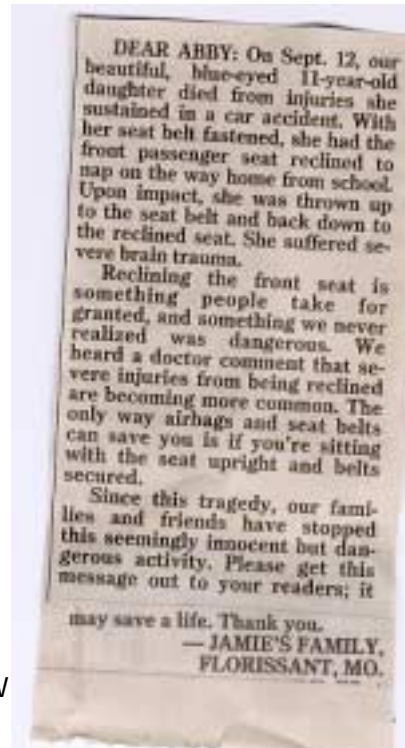
at the Cape Canaveral Spaceport. Litter is a serious
problem; as "residents" of the Spaceport, we can't

afford the cost of littering. It costs taxpayer dollars to clean up wasting resources that could be used to support our core missions. We need to work together to prevent litter because randomly discarded trash, even items as small as cigarette butts, endangers our safety, environment, wildlife and possibly even our operations.

The Florida Statute prohibits littering and allows for fines up to \$50. Members of the military and DOD civilians can be reprimanded for litter violations. Our Spaceport attracts visitors who come to appreciate the grandeur of our launches and technology. We also want them to enjoy the natural beauty of our environment. Please help us prevent litter by:

- Secure your load if you carry trash or loose materials out to the Spaceport. Fatalities have been recorded in other parts of Florida as a result of debris flying out of truck beds.
- Never throw anything from your vehicle. Cigarette butts are litter; they take as long as 12 years to decompose. With the current fire danger, it is also extremely dangerous.
- Service personnel should check dumpsters to see that tops and doors are kept closed.
- Always dispose of your trash in a proper receptacle.
- Carry a litterbag in your vehicle....use it!
- Always clean up your site after lunch or other outdoor activity.
- Ensure trash cans have a secure lid. Don't put out loose trash in boxes.

(Call Catherine Alexander, JPMO, 476-4007 for more information)



Using Seat Belts Correctly

Most of us are familiar
with using seat belts

correctly. But a recent Dear Abby column sadly illustrates that **reclined seat belts do not always properly restrain users when a vehicle is involved in an accident.** Do not allow riders to recline while using seat belts and when the vehicle is moving at the same time.

(Thanks to [Kathy Valente, SGS-329](#), for submitting this Safety article)



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